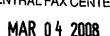
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Applicants elect Species C (Figs. 7-9) in response to the Election of Species Requirement of February 11, 2008. Claims 1, 3-7, 13-14 and 17-18 read upon the elected species. Applicants traverse the requirement to the extent of requesting that claims drawn to a non-elected species be retained for possible consideration should a generic claim be deemed allowable. An early and favorable action on the merits is requested.

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